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HIGH COMMISSIONER IN SCOTLAND

The High Commissioner, Mr. W. J. Jordan, accompanied by Mr. S. R. Skinner (Naval Liaison) and Squadron Leader Gamble (Air Liaison) recently visited ships commanded by New Zealand officers, and Royal Naval Air and Royal Air Force Stations where New Zealand officers and men are in training. The High Commissioner's party was met at each establishment by the officers commanding the Areas, and by their courtesy enabled to carry out a thorough inspection.

Lieut.-Commander J. G. Hilliard, Lieut.-Commander N. L. Mackie, Lieut.-Commander Peter Phipps, D.S.O., Lieut.-Commander H. A. Dunnet and Lieut. A. A. Bell, all of the Royal New Zealand Naval Volunteer Reserve, reported most favourably on the New Zealand ratings under their command and of the efficiency they have attained whilst serving in the Royal Navy. The High Commissioner, after a thorough inspection of the messes and sleeping quarters, etc., congratulated the officers on the excellent arrangements made for the comfort and well-being of personnel.

At the Air Stations the High Commissioner met a large number of New Zealand Fleet Air Arm officers, Pilot Officers, Observers, Air Gunners and Ground Staff. The High Commissioner had the privilege of personally addressing them and observing their intensive training.

During the tour the High Commissioner and his party visited two mills in connection with the manufacture of New Zealand linen flax. They saw New Zealand flax unpacked from the bales in which it was shipped from the Dominion and observed the various processes of cleansing, spinning and weaving. The directors of the mills handling the flax were extremely satisfied with its quality and expressed the hope that it would be possible for New Zealand to make many more shipments.

A letter, dated February 4 and just received in London, from Captain J. H. Hall, New Zealand war correspondent, who was captured in Greece and is now in Oflag VI B, Germany, contains news of considerable interest. It states that the University of London, the Council of Legal Education, the Law Society, and a number of similar authorities have arranged through the British Red Cross to recognise Oflag VI B as an examination centre. The senior British officer is guaranteeing proper supervision of candidates. Prisoners of war have been told that the Red Cross may be able to extend its list of co-operating examining bodies, and the co-operation of the University of New Zealand is being sought. As the University has already been trying to arrange for the facility granted at Oflag VI B on behalf of other applicants in other camps, it seems probable that some plan for the examination of New Zealand candidates in Germany will be practicable in time for the November examinations this year. This will be a great boon for many men and give them that extra interest in their study which will make all the difference to life in camp.

The engagement has been announced between Miss Dora Annie Vincent, of Auckland, and Sergt. William Cochrane Hutchison, of Gisborne. The wedding was arranged for Saturday last, March 28, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, Earls Court, S.W. Miss Vincent will continue her work at the New Zealand Forces Club after her marriage.

Wellington made meteorological history in 1941 by producing the wettest twelve months on record. The total rainfall has been 63.35 inches, approximately 21 inches more than the normal.

KIWI HOUSE OPENED

The High Commissioner and Mrs. Jordan visited Kiwi House on March 18, when Mr. Jordan performed the opening ceremony. Lord Nuffield, Mr. Sandys Dawes, of the New Zealand Shipping Company, and many others who have taken an interest in the plan to provide a place for New Zealanders to sleep in comfort in London were present.

Mr. Jordan, in declaring the house open, referred to the fact that it had once been the home of Robert Browning. He congratulated Lady Hewart on her courage, enterprise and generosity in opening Kiwi House for the benefit of New Zealand men in the Navy, Army and Air Force. They had also to thank Lord Hewart for his interest in the plan. Dealing briefly with the war situation, Mr. Jordan said that New Zealand and Australia had never been closer together. One command now controlled the Anzac area, and he had no doubt that the efforts of the united nations would in the end prove effective. New Zealand had pledged her whole people, produce, and resources to the war effort. "We believe that our men can be considered the equal of their forefathers as fighting men, and second to none in the world." Mr. Jordan paid a special tribute to the fighting qualities of the Maori race. He had seen the Maori battalion at bayonet practice in Egypt and was greatly impressed. New Zealand, from her population of 1½ millions, already had 130,000 in the three services, with 100,000 more in the Home Guard. Referring to the large amount of excellent voluntary work done for New Zealanders in London, Mr. Jordan mentioned the 300 women who took turns or duty at the N.Z. Forces Club, and the members of the Prisoners of War Depot and New Zealand Work Party. He also referred to the excellent work of the Overseas and Victoria Leagues, and Lady Frances Ryder's organisation of hospitality for the forces. Declaring Kiwi House open, he said Lady Hewart was a New Zealander who never forgot she was one, and the Government and people of the Dominion were grateful to her. (Applause.)

Lady Hewart, in thanking Mr. Jordan for attending, said that her interest in the plan had first been aroused by finding two New Zealand airmen settling down for the night in an air raid shelter because there was nowhere else for them to go. She thanked those who had helped her with the equipment of the house, and mentioned that Lord Hewart had defined her depredations of their own home as "looting."

New Zealand servicemen then conducted guests over the building. Everybody was impressed by the comfort of the rooms, the restful colour schemes, and the complete absence of any institutional appearance. In the dining room a handsome set of dinner mats, depicting English scenes, which was given by Mrs. Ollivier, was greatly admired. Meals are served and house telephones and a lift minimise labour.

The address of Kiwi House is 29, de Vere Gardens, Kensington, W.8 (Telephone Nos. Western 0253, 0254). Number 9 bus from Charing Cross passes the end of the road. The nearest Tube station is Gloucester Road.

Kiwi House is being privately financed. Those wishing to help are asked to send gifts to Lady Hewart, at 29, de Vere Gardens, S.W. Main requirements are, in order, easy chairs, a Hoover, and a refrigerator.

A New Zealand Army XV will meet a London side at Old Deer Park, Richmond, on Easter Monday.

Birth.—On March 17, at "The Homestead," Parkstone, to Marianne Elizabeth (née Glassey), wife of Hewton O. Amess, R.A.F.—a daughter.

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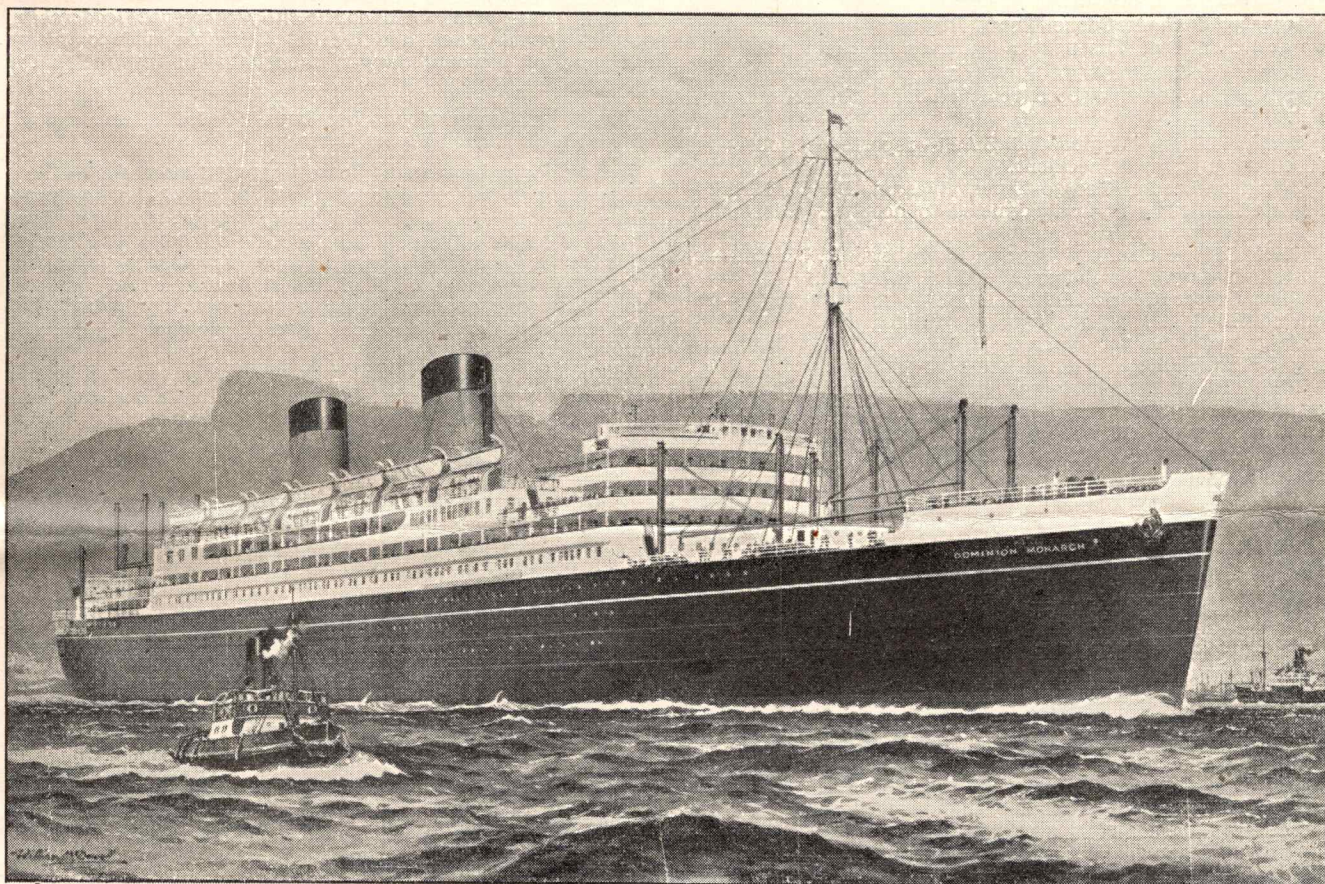
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ON ACTIVE SERVICE

Sub-Lieutenant (A) David Winant Adams, R.N.V.R.—reported missing.

Able Seaman Harry Bosward, D/Jx.136603—reported lost overboard whilst on war service. His wife lives in Auckland.

Sergt. D. K. Buchanan, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported injured. His father lives in Takapuna.

Sergt. N. E. Doherty, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported injured as a result of enemy action.

F/Sergt. E. A. Gifford, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported killed as a result of enemy action.

L.A.C. S. E. Sargent, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported injured.

L.A.C. E. W. Dense, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported injured as a result of enemy action.

L.A.C. F. L. Schdroski, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported injured as a result of enemy action.

L.A.C. S. O. Meredith, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported injured as a result of enemy action.

Acting Leading Airman Charles A. Gallagher, N.Z.D.517—reported killed on active service.

Private R. C. A. Cooke, Essex Regiment—reported killed on active service. His next-of-kin lives in Auckland.

Temp. Sub-Lieut. (A) L. H. Wiren, reported suffering from appendicitis, has now been removed from the serious case list.

Sergt. William Higgins, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported seriously injured in an aircraft accident.

Squadron-Leader George Ernest Weston, D.F.C., R.A.F.—reported seriously ill and admitted to hospital. His father lives in Lawrence.

Pilot Officer Geoffrey Pender Chambers, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported missing. His father lives in Wellington.

Pilot Officer Cedric Hubert Owen Priest, R.N.Z.A.F.—reported killed. His father lives in Waiharoa.

Sergt. John Trevor Wallace, R.N.Z.A.F., reclassified missing, believed killed. His mother lives in Auckland.

Pilot Officer Francis Reece, R.N.Z.A.F., reported missing on October 3, has been mentioned in a German broadcast as a prisoner of war, but no confirmation has been received.

Able Seaman E. J. Stilton, N.Z.D.532—reported missing on active service.

Advice has been received of the presumption of death of Captain N. E. O'Neill, R.A.M.C., who has not been heard of since the evacuation of Dunkirk. His father lives in Auckland.

CONSTRUCTION COUNCIL

The Prime Minister, Mr. Fraser, has announced the establishment of a Defence Construction Council, with himself as chairman, and the appointment of a Defence Construction Commissioner, Mr. James Fletcher, of the Fletcher Construction Company. "With New Zealand on a war footing (he said), facing the supreme test of her continued existence as a free country, all civil activities must be subordinated to the one over-riding necessity—namely, the urgent completion of a greatly enlarged defence construction programme." The defence works will have absolute priority over all activities, whether State or civil, and the Commissioner has the widest powers to co-ordinate the work of all departments in defence construction, and to ensure the supply of materials, plant, and labour.

Mr. James Fletcher, whose appointment as Commissioner for Defence Construction is unpaid at his own request, may order the stoppage of any constructional work. After consultation with the Construction Council he may direct labour, materials and plant to be made available for any defence works at such places and times as he deems fit.—(Reuter.)

CONCERT TRIUMPH

Colin Horsley, young New Zealand pianist, scored a remarkable triumph at the concert held at the Wigmore Hall on March 22. He played works by Bach, Chopin, Rachmaninoff, and other composers with equal mastery.

As the other soloist was the brilliant singer, Isobel Baillie, it can be seen that the large audience was indeed fortunate. She sang works of Purcell, Grieg, Schubert, Delius, and others. One of her songs, Schubert's "To Music," expressed what many must have felt at being granted so refreshing an interlude in the grim business of war.

Sir Jocelyn Lucas, deputising for the High Commissioner, who was unable to be present, expressed thanks to the artists for giving their services. He said that Mr. Horsley, who was only 21, was joining the R.A.F. when he completed his studies at the Royal College of Music in a few months' time. Speaking of Kiwi House, he paid tribute to Lady Hewart's work in providing an invaluable complement to the New Zealand Forces Club.

BATTLE HONOURS

The High Commissioner has been advised of the award of the Distinguished Service Order to

Acting Squadron Leader Noel Joseph Mowat, R.A.F.

Since the outbreak of war, Squadron-Leader Mowat has completed 150 defensive patrols and 30 fighter operations over enemy territory; eight of the latter missions were carried out during the evacuation from Dunkirk, when he damaged two Messerschmitt 109's. One day in June, 1940, this officer led a section of three aircraft which attacked the aerodrome at Rouen Boos and damaged at least 20 enemy aircraft. More recently, Squadron-Leader Mowat led successful attacks on power stations, aerodromes, barge concentrations, and distilleries in enemy-occupied territory. In addition, several enemy anti-aircraft posts have been put out of action. He has also taken part in attacks against enemy shipping during which 5 enemy vessels have been damaged. On the 12th February, 1942, during operations against the German battleships and their escorts, Squadron-Leader Mowat, in the face of fierce enemy opposition, was personally responsible for the destruction of a vessel in the convoy. This officer has consistently displayed leadership of the highest order, and his determination and complete disregard of personal danger have been an inspiration to his squadron.

The High Commissioner has been advised of the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to

Acting Flight Lieutenant Russell Ernest Orchard, R.A.F.

Throughout the operational flights in which he has participated over enemy territory, Flight-Lieut. Orchard has displayed outstanding ability as captain of aircraft. Despite all odds he invariably presses home his attacks with the greatest determination. Flight-Lieutenant Orchard has on more than one occasion flown his aircraft safely back to this country after it had been severely damaged by enemy action.

Flight-Lieutenant Orchard was previously reported missing and his death is now presumed to have occurred on September 19, 1941.

The High Commissioner has been advised of the award of the Distinguished Flying Medal to

Sergeant Richard Colvin Seddon Beck, R.N.Z.A.F.

During his operational tours this airman has carried out some particularly fine flights. In January, 1942, he carried out a successful mine-laying mission off La Rochelle in adverse weather conditions. A few days previously he attacked a synthetic rubber factory at Huls. In September, 1941, he participated in a daylight raid on Abbeville. On several occasions he has attacked the searchlight belt near Bochold, thus facilitating the passage of our bombers to their objectives. This airman has set a very fine example.

Lost Mails

The following mails for United Kingdom were lost by enemy action: Letters and printed papers from North Island (southern districts only), posted January 3; South Island, posted between December 30 and January 5.

Parcels from North Island (southern districts only), posted on January 3; South Island, posted between December 27 and January 5.

The following New Zealanders have received their commissions as Temporary Sub-Lieutenants R.N.Z.N.V.R.: G. Broad, M. Carter, H. M. Buchanan, A. Grimson, D. N. McCallum, W. O. Mapplebeck, H. A. Nation, E. F. Penty, F. S. Phillips and R. L. Sowden.

The following promotions to Temp. Sub-Lieut. have been gazetted: William Douglas Goodfellow, Geoffrey Alexander Bridger Walker, Cardo Synott Evans, Howard Christopher Smith, Gordon Murray Stewart Russell, Geoffrey Thomas Sandford Baylis, Bertram William Thorpe, Dudley Francis Davis, and William Francis Lowe.

Eric Trevor Devonshire has been promoted Temporary Midshipman (A).

The following have been promoted to Temp. Sub-Lieut. (A) Eric Sven Erikson, Arthur George Cronin, Robert Gardiner, Douglas Robert Park, Jack Radford Papperell, Ivan Donald Scanes, and Arthur Robert Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jordan attended a performance of the Russian Ballet at the Whitehall Theatre, when Miss Bebe de Roland, a young New Zealander, played the title role in the ballet "Cinderella." Commenting on the performance afterwards, Mr. Jordan said that, although he had no knowledge of the quality of ballet, he was certainly greatly impressed and fascinated with the admirable dancing of Bebe de Roland. The ovation which she received at the conclusion of the performance convinced him that the pleasure she gave extended throughout the audience, included amongst which there were undoubtedly some skilled critics.

PRISONERS OF WAR

3673 JENKINS, Reginald Wallace, Dvr.
 13837 JOBLIN, Nathan James Henry, Pte.
 29011 JOHNSON, Albert, Pte.
 14974 JOHNSON, Charles Herbert, Pte.
 41391 JOHNSON, Jack Neville, Pte.
 15076 JOHNSON, Lester Raymond, Pte.
 21377 JOHNSON, Philip James, Pte.
 8725 JOHNSTON, Norman Gregory Bennett, Pte.
 12981 JOHNSTONE, Gordon Owen, Pte.
 25217 JOLLEY, Mervyn Leslie, Pte.
 34810 JONES, Frederick Cyril Charles, Spr.
 14622 JONES, Louis William, Pte.
 8316 JORDAN, Douglas Mervyn, Pte.
 11885 JOWETT, George Henry Kay, Pte.
 9158 KEANE, David, Pte.
 33049 KEATING, Walter Ernest, Pte.
 2600 KENNEDY, Edward Lawrence, Pte.
 41059 KENNEDY, Frederick David, Pte.
 8607 KENNEDY, John, Dvr.
 10813 KENT, Murdoch James, Dvr.
 8602 KERR, William Christian, Dvr.
 37838 KING, Dudley Robert, Sergt.
 3278 KING, Gussie, Pte.
 30324 KISSOCK, William Venton John, L/Cpl.
 16522 KNAPMAN, Leslie McKee, Tpr.
 41957 KNIGHT, Joseph John, Dr.
 9355 KNOWLES, Neville John, Pte.
 7962 KROGH, Hutton, Sergt.
 32054 LAIRD, Victor Clements, Pte.
 62436 LAMBERT, Victor, Pte.
 41617 LANGLEY, Raymond Philip, Dvr.
 43355 LANSDELL, Frederick William, Pte.
 15102 LAW, Leonard, Pte.
 11875 LAWER, Robert Arthur Vine, Pte.
 41527 LEABOURN, Herbert Charles, Pte.
 8947 LE COMPTE, Darcy Eric, Dvr.
 17062 LEMON, Allan Samuel, Pte.
 81842 LESLIE, Patrick, Sgmn.
 24614 LESTER, Percy, Gnr.
 8609 LEWIS, Alan Thomas, Dvr.
 7521 LIDDIARD, Francis Albert, Cpl.
 35055 LINDLEY, Albert George, Spr.
 6554 LINGARD, Albert, Pte.
 37004 LIVINGSTON, Peter, Pte.
 14940 LOCHHEAD, Robert Russell, Pte.
 8591 LODGE, Frederick Verdon, Dvr.
 15098 LOUDEN, Ernest Francis George, Pte.
 10545 LOTT, James, Dvr.
 26481 LUKE, William, Pte.
 11840 LUNAM, John David, Pte.
 32882 LUND, Harrison Frederick, Pte.
 8303 McCASH, Frank, Pte.
 5242 McCLUNG, James Oliver, Pte.
 14276 McCORMACK, William Joseph, Pte.
 13540 MacDONALD, Alexander Wm., T/Cpl.
 25250 McDONALD, Douglas Eaton, T/Cpl.
 22811 McDONALD, Ian Fraser, Sergt.
 22259 McDONALD, Leonard Edwin, Pte.
 25712 McFADGEN, Ernest, L/Bdr.
 25713 McFADYEN, Thomas, Spr.
 26249 McKENZIE, James, Pte.
 15799 McKENZIE, Murdoch William, Pte.
 37325 McLAREN, George Joseph, Pte.
 16871 McLAREN, William Duncan, Pte.
 15597 McLATCHIE, Thomas Henry, Pte.
 11068 McLEAN, Jack, Pte.
 14961 McLEOD, Arthur Harrison, Pte.
 24153 McLEOD, Claude, Pte.
 21827 McNAMARA, Frank Frederick, Cpl.
 26263 McQUOID, Bertram Cyril, Pte.
 63486 MANGAN, Michael Claude, Gnr.
 24170 MANN, James Anthony, Pte.
 7747 MANOY, Philip Herman, Sergt.
 13274 MANSON, Royce, Pte.
 29593 MARCHINGTON, Henry, Pte.
 5297 MARSHALL, Alexander Thomas, Pte.
 5001 MARSHALL, Denbigh Mora, Pte.
 25279 MARTIN, James William, Pte.
 13461 MASKILL, Douglas John, Pte.
 10546 MATHESON, John Wade, L/Cpl.
 25251 MATTHEW, James, Pte.
 37602 MEEHAN, William John, Pte.
 24177 MERRIN, Mervyn Frederick, Pte.
 10016 METCALFE, Harold, Dvr.
 60911 MILES, Frederick Henry, Gnr.
 12966 MILLER, Greer Scanlon, Pte.
 15911 MILLER, James, Pte.
 14794 MILLER, John Sydney, L/Cpl.
 7527 MILLER, John Walter, Dvr.
 41912 MILTON, John Philip, Dvr.
 3289 MIST, Albert Edward, Pte.
 8437 MITCHELL, Bruce Noble, Pte.
 3286 MITCHELL, Donald James, Pte.
 37981 MITCHELL, Roy Leslie, Spr.
 17442 MOIR, John William, Pte.
 13279 MOORE, Harold, Pte.
 32239 MORAN, William, Spr.
 25295 MORELAND, Reginald Harold, Pte.
 38713 MOREY, James Leo, Pte.
 38216 MORRISON, Reg. Stanley, Pte.
 34030 MOYNIHAN, Edward Charles, Pte.
 8266 MUIR, Donald Allan, Pte.
 24656 MULLINS, Hugh James, Gnr.
 890 MUIR, Maurice, Pte.
 11122 MULRINE, Wilburt James, Pte.
 21453 MUNRO, Angus McLeod, Pte.
 24194 MUNRO, Frederick Fraser, Pte.
 25702 MURDOCH, Roy, T/Sergt.
 25300 MURPHY, John Kevin, L/Cpl.
 11904 MURRELL, Robert Charles, Dvr.
 24199 NELLE, Louis Matthew, Pte.
 29406 NEVILLE, George William, Pte.
 14926 NEWBERRY, Edward John, T/Cpl.
 17276 NEWLANDS, James Gemmell, Pte.
 12616 NEWMAN, Trevor William, Dvr.
 33264 NICOL, Hugo, Pte.
 42977 NICHOLLS, Aubrey Edward, Pte.
 25304 NICHOLSON, Albert Leo, T/Cpl.
 7184 O'CONNELL, Daniel, L/Cpl.

33153 ORMISTON, Walter Wm., Dvr.
 7526 OVEREND, Melville Robt., Dvr.
 9990 PAGE, Joseph Henry, Dvr.
 17200 PALLISER, John Wm., Pte.
 29248 PALMER, John Francis, Pte.
 35824 PARKER, John Francis, Pte.
 10527 PASCOE, Frank Wm., Dvr.
 24222 PATTLE, Harry Norton, Pte.
 60555 PAUL, Daniel Wm., Gnr.
 24228 PERKINSON, Ivan Geo. Arthur, Pte.
 9801 PETERS, Ernest Wm., Dvr.
 41531 PLUMMER, Gordon Alan, Pte.
 8472 PORT, Percy John, Pte.
 43026 POTTS, Stuart Jack, Pte.
 8154 PRETTEJOHNS, Norman, Pte.
 8542 PRICE, Reginald Aubrey Owen, A/Cpl.
 24727 PROUD, Vincent George, Gnr.
 12167 PRYOR, Keith Errol, Pte.
 4702 PURVIS, Kenneth, Sgmn.
 36054 QUINN, Nicholas Ashton, Pte.
 24249 QUIST, Henry James, Pte.
 24250 RAETHEL, Douglas Boyd, Pte.
 41436 RANKIN, Donald Russell, Pte.
 17277 RAPSON, Raymond James, Pte.
 12585 RICHES, Wm. Andrews, Dvr.
 3170 RIGBY, W., Pte.
 15724 ROBERTSON, Robt. Elliott, Pte.
 12268 RODGER, John, Pte.
 29933 ROSE, George Edward Fredk., T/Cpl.
 15603 ROSS, Graham Geo., Pte.
 9132 ROSS, Noel Fredk. Stanley, Dvr.
 1759 RULE, Chas. Ronald, Dvr.
 13202 RYBURN, Allan Josiah, Pte.
 22422 SAVILL, Peter Standish, Gnr.
 36389 SELLER, Stanley, Spr.
 15976 SCOTT, James Basil, Pte.
 17752 SEARLE, Ernest Wm., Pte.
 18220 SHADBOLT, Norton Campbell, Pte.
 8370 SHARP, Allan Marton, Pte.
 8613 SHAW, Ernest, Dvr.
 24290 SHEEHAN, Bernard, Pte.
 13160 SHEFFORD, Norman, Dvr.
 15500 SHEPHERD, Stanley Leonard, Pte.
 12046 SILCOCK, Jack Cedric, Pte.
 41298 SILVESTER, Hugh, Pte.
 14382 SIMS, Noel Murdoch, Cpl.
 37620 SLOPER, Gordon Watson Alexander, T/Cpl.
 41439 SMITH, Alan Augustus, Pte.
 35921 SMITH, Bertram Harold, Spr.
 11494 SMITH, Derek, Dvr.
 18510 SMITH, Frank, Pte.
 9062 SMITH, Lionel Francis, Dvr.
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 10977 STORRIE, J. F., Dvr.
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 30302 SULLIVAN, Patrick Joseph, Dvr.
 17727 SUTTON, Charles Merrifield, Pte.
 13952 SUTTON, Ronald George, L/Cpl.
 29683 SWEETMAN, Edward Leslie, Pte.
 12431 TAYLOR, Alfred Edward, Pte.
 10978 THOMPSON, David Graham, Lieut.
 9117 THOMPSON, Rex Montgomery Crowther, Dvr.
 24335 TIMPERLEY, Horace James, Pte.
 10741 TODD, Harold Henry, Pte.
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 24340 TURFIN, Frank Edward, Pte.
 24342 TURNBULL, Leonard Stephen, Pte.
 24818 TURNER, Wallace de Renzie, L/Bdr.
 13230 TUTBURY, Archie Harley, Pte.
 2517 VAUSE, Reginald Harry, L/Cpl.
 8895 VICKERY, Herbert William, Dvr.
 15203 VIGERS, Eric Edward, Pte.
 60296 VIVIAN, Richard James, Pte.
 15223 WADE, Leith Blair Banbridge, Pte.
 36120 WAKELY, William James, Pte.
 8355 WALKER, Ernest John, Pte.
 1117 WALKER, Leon Alfred, Tpr.
 16038 WALL, Lawrence Eric, Pte.
 9192 WATSON, John George, Pte.
 37341 WEBSTER, Leonard John, Pte.
 8323 WEIR, Stanley James, Pte.
 9261 WELSH, John Minto, Pte.
 3829 WESTRUPP, Wm. Hy., Pte.
 8889 WHITHAM, Robt. Forrester, Dvr.
 23574 WHITTEN, Herbert Edward, Sergt.
 30365 WILDERMOTT, William Mason, Pte.
 62929 WILEY, Norman, Pte.
 17749 WILKINS, James Louis, Pte.
 26232 WILLIAMS, Warren Douglas, Pte.
 25442 WILSHER, Douglas Arthur, Pte.
 8828 WILSON, Hanley John, Pte.
 40312 WIND, Gordon Russell, Pte.
 16056 WITHINGTON, William James Clark, Pte.
 11080 WOODHAM, Cyril Walter, S/Sergt.
 9805 WOODROW, James Robt. Allen, Pte.
 17033 WOODS, Norman James, Pte.
 12832 WOODS, Wyvern James, Pte.
 11811 WOOLFORD, Earle, Dvr.
 7553 WRIGHT, Arthur Ernest, Pte.
 8966 YAXLEY, William Noel, Dvr.

Killed in Action

61127 CLARK, Douglas E. W., Gnr.
 60632 LOGAN, Douglas, L., Gnr.
 65251 RIINI, Heremia, Pte.
 60929 RING, A. J. Gnr.
 63300 THOMPSON, Wynn H., Gnr.
 61773 HARPER, Francis, L/Bdr.
 20728 REID, James, Gnr.
 13387 TAYLOR, Matthew Henry, Cpl.
 9163 SIMMONDS, Lionel V., Pte.

Previously Missing, Now reported Safe

17728 AITCHESON, Wm., Pte.
 41082 ALDERSLEY, Wm. J., Pte.
 36878 ALEXANDER, R. G., Pte.
 41640 ALGIE, Frank H., Pte.
 30046 ANDERSON, R. C., Cpl.
 6736 ANDREWS, A. W., Sergt.
 62997 ARMSTRONG, R. W., Gnr.
 12102 ARO, Cyril Nathan, Dvr.
 10393 BAIRD, Peter B., Pte.
 25476 BARKER, Derek B., Gnr.
 6788 BATEMAN, Jas. A., L/Sergt.
 14619 BARRAUD, Chas. E., Sergt.
 30706 BATT, Raymond F., Pte.
 2632 BEECHEY, Wm. Fredk., L/Cpl.
 41088 BIELSKI, Herbert Wm., Pte.
 37580 BIRD, Chas. Wm., Pte.
 30712 BLACKMORE, Frederick R., Pte.
 4063 BLANCH, Wm. Robt., Capt.
 6812 BOVIS, Albert Henry, Pte.
 12082 BOWERS, Herbert Steven, Dvr.
 33520 CALDER, Wm. N., Pte.
 21747 CONDON, Neil G., Spr.
 63112 BUCHANAN, Eric F., Gnr.
 33849 BUDD, C. W., Pte.
 6984 CALLESEN, W. F., Pte.
 42528 CATHRO, Thomas C., Pte.
 35440 CHRISTIE, Ronald H., Pte.
 44846 CLINTON, Allan Ogilvie, Pte.
 17170 CONNOR, Gordon W., Dvr.
 10461 COPELAND, Albert E., Pte.
 61805 COWAN, James Lymburn, Gnr.
 60446 CROSS, Wm. James, Gnr.
 6803 CRAWFORD, Arthur Fredk., Pte.
 36989 CROPP, Carl A., Pte.
 37162 DAVIS, Herbert Geo., Pte.
 31094 DAWSON, Robert, Pte.
 30031 DARBY, Edwin Richard, Pte.
 10005 DICK, David J. G., Dvr.
 7876 DICK, Geo. F., Sgmn.
 6908 DILLON, Geo. M., Pte.
 1056 DILLON, Robert A., S/Sergt.
 17623 DIX, Reg. A., Tpr.
 42456 DOBSON, Chas. P., Pte.
 1203 DOBSON, Thomas B., Tpr.
 12087 DONALDSON, Robt. L., Dvr.
 16322 DOYLE, Daniel B., Dvr.
 11574 DUNN, George Owen, Pte.
 30743 EADES, Alfred E., L/Cpl.
 40282 ESTALL, Geo. T., Pte.
 61481 EVANS, Harry Mahler, Gnr.
 6371 FELLOWS, Neville N., L/Cpl.
 34258 FERGUSON, Ronald N., Pte.
 6429 FITZGIBBON, Michael H., Dvr.
 61418 FRASER, James H., Gnr.
 25572 FRASER, Joseph, Gnr.
 30646 FROMONT, Albert Raphael, Pte.
 25581 GAUSEL, Oliver Edward, Gnr.
 42457 GAVIN, Alex. D. M., Pte.
 41276 GEORGE, Robert James, Pte.
 33630 GILLICE, Allen Geo., Pte.
 30108 GORDON, Robert James, Pte.
 63735 GRAHAM, John McL., Gnr.
 63519 GRAHAM, Roland, Gnr.
 41625 GRAMMER, Ronald, Pte.
 6977 GRAY, Douglas Armeice C., L/Cpl.
 30739 GREGORY, George, Pte.
 6236 GREEN, Jack, Pte.
 37198 GREENBANK, William, Pte.
 33090 HALEY, John Wm., L/Cpl.
 16784 HARPER, Robert Henry S., Pte.
 17046 HARRIS, Arthur, Dvr.
 61018 HARRIS, James Claude, Dvr.
 41870 HARRIS, Robert Geo., Dvr.
 43857 HARRISON, Henry, Pte.
 41812 HAWKINS, Basil Reg. Wm., Cpl.
 42535 HEAD, Norman Henry, Pte.
 42536 HEAD, Roydon Alfred, Pte.
 40155 HENSON, John Ray, Pte.
 17336 HENDERSON, James Wm., Dvr.
 39194 HEREMIA, K. L., Pte.
 9550 HESSELL, Edward W. V., Pte.
 12089 HOUGHTON, Fredk. Geo., Dvr.
 42537 HUGHES, J. I., Pte.
 62432 HYNES, Arthur Denis, Gnr.
 14452 JACKSON, Oswald F., Pte.
 6215 JUDE, Wm. Geo., S/Sergt.
 8071 KARST, Edward O. C., Cpl.
 42219 KEPPEL, Clarence P., L/Cpl.
 41395 KENNEDY, Thornton Wm., Pte.
 16336 KYLE, John, Pte.
 36869 JENKINS, William, Pte.
 28765 LAING, Mervyn Harold, L/Bdr.
 44866 LAMPLOUGH, Gerald Geo., Pte.
 62437 LAVERICK, George P., Dvr.
 45110 LAWRENCE, Ian Douglas, Pte.
 30249 LEE, Charles, Pte.
 22438 LEE, Nicholas Owen, L/Sergt.
 7000 LEWIS, Samuel Lloyd, L/Cpl.
 31418 LOGAN, John Marshall, Pte.
 6621 LORD, Ivan Victor, Dvr.
 8319 LUMSDEN, Richard, Pte.
 17357 McCALLUM, Jas. Sinclair, Dvr.
 9743 McCONCHIE, Philip A., L/Cpl.
 8293 McDONALD, Chas. Cecil, Sergt.
 17257 McDONALD, James, Dvr.
 6762 McELHONE, James, Pte.
 22184 MCGREGOR, Edwin Wm., L/Cpl.
 60641 McKENZIE, Walter Bruce, Gnr.
 25728 McLAY, Robert, Sergt.

Killed Accidentally

28751 HANNAN, Maxwell, Gnr.

N.Z.E.F. Recently Reported Prisoners of War

42188 ADAMS, John, Dvr.
 6922 ADCOCK, John Cecil Neil, L/Cpl.
 2717 ADDIS, Charles Gordon, Pte.
 9105 AGNEW, Allan Edward Merries, Pte.
 2709 ALDERTON, Thomas Henry, Pte.
 9804 ALLEN, William George, Pte.
 15751 ALLISON, Carlyle Archie, Pte.
 40846 ALVES, George Arthur, Dvr.
 17517 ANDREWS, William Frank, Tpr.
 9996 ARMSTRONG, Leslie Thomas, Dvr.
 17729 ARNOLD, John Foreman, Pte.
 41701 ATTRILL, John Thomas, Dvr.
 9794 ATRIDGE, Robert Duncan, Pte.
 14206 BABBS, Thomas Victor, Pte.
 9270 BACHOP, Raymond, Pte.
 23810 BAGNALL, Arthur Moncrieff, Cpl.
 25001 BAKER, Herbert Keith, Pte.
 5752 BALNEAVES, Alexander James, Pte.
 13194 BARDSLEY, John, Dvr.
 4878 BARKER, John, Pte.
 15377 BARRETT, John, Pte.
 13477 BARRON, John Saunders, Pte.
 35351 BARROW, Charles Frederick, Pte.
 14665 BARROW, Norman Douglas, Cpl.
 14244 BARROW, William, Pte.
 14855 BARTON, Edward George, Pte.
 9934 BARTRUM, Raymond Thomas Reynolds, Pte.
 25009 BASSETT, Raymond Anthony, Dvr.
 16094 BATCHELOR, Noel, Pte.
 9724 BEATON, Malcolm John, Dvr.
 29490 BECKETT, Douglas Waive, Pte.
 14200 BELLIS, Raymond Charles, Pte.
 5353 BENNISON, Avery Francis, Pte.
 20491 BENTLEY, Donald Dalziel, Pte.
 23812 BIRCHALL, Walter Allen, Pte.
 25030 BLACK, Colin Jack, Pte.
 11859 BLACK, Ronald, Pte.
 42145 BLACK, Samuel George, Dvr.
 5757 BLACK, Thomas George, Sgmn.
 16088 BLACKMUN, Alan James, Pte.
 3244 BLAND, Bernard George Leo, Pte.
 9159 BLEE, Samuel Joseph, Pte.
 21616 BLOMFIELD, Owen Lloyd, Dvr.
 8167 BOAL, David George, Pte.
 15295 BOLWELL, Geoffroy Frank, L/Cpl.
 37020 BORLASE, Charles, Pte.
 11568 BORCK, Edgar Cecil, Pte.
 25036 BOSS, Spencer William, Pte.
 28135 BOWERS, Fred William, Pte.
 24435 BRAMLEY, Trevor George, Sgmn.
 18394 BROOKS, Felix Melville, Pte.
 6319 BROOKS, Thomas Marsden, T/Cpl.
 8264 BROWN, Eric Allison, Dvr.
 2393 BROWN, George Robert William, Spr.
 41497 BROWN, Steven George, Pte.
 30601 BROWN, Vincent Frederick, Pte.
 4446 BROWNLIE, Robert Bould, Dvr.
 18018 BRUERE, Graham Joseph, Pte.
 13221 BUCHAN, Charles Alexander, Dvr.
 9879 BULLOT, Edward L., Pte.
 4992 BURBOROUGH, Henry James, Pte.
 63418 BURKE, Alwyn James, Gnr.
 29509 BURN, Colin Henry, Pte.
 8510 BURNABY, Hugo Philip Beaumont, T/Cpl.
 35322 BURNE, Thomas, Spr.
 8989 BURNS, Eric Moore, Dvr.
 8961 BURT, Allen, Dvr.
 9706 CAIN, Robert Henry, Pte.
 22203 CALLAGHAN, Richard Edward, Pte.
 23916 CAMERON, Jack Milligan, Pte.
 12407 CAMPBELL, Gordon Stuart, Dvr.
 25064 CAMPBELL, Reston, T/Cpl.
 60707 CANNING, Robert Alexander, Gnr.
 15368 CARROLL, Clyde Maclaren, Pte.
 9134 CARSON, Raymond Leslie, Dvr.
 23278 CARTER, Athol, Bdr.
 14188 CARTER, Gilbert Percival, Pte.
 16976 CHAMBERS, Arthur Frank, Pte.
 32046 CHARTERIS, Charles Allendale, Sergt.
 33935 CHECK, Reuben Victor, Pte.
 16002 CHEESMAN, Douglas Henry, Pte.
 23925 CHURTON, John Knowles, Pte.
 17142 CLARK, Harold Reuben, Pte.
 5521 CLARK, Walter Gurwood, Pte.
 23930 CLARKE, Ernest Colin, Pte.
 16123 CLEMETT, Charles Ivan, Pte.
 3770 CLOTWORTHY, G., Pte.
 6913 COCHRANE, David, Pte.
 27527 COCKBURN, Eric Douglas, Dvr.
 24457 COLE, Charles Laurence Aubyn, Gnr.
 40563 COLLINS, Cyril Hugh, Spr.
 7868 COLLINS, George James Peter, Pte.
 12786 COOK, Gordon Charles, Pte.
 22262 COOMBS, Gordon Maxwell, Pte.
 5566 COOPER, Charles George, Pte.
 23031 CORKE, Kenneth David, Pte.
 8882 COSTELLO, William Timothy, Dvr.
 9987 COTTON, William Horace, L/Cpl.
 13490 COX, Clarence George, Pte.
 21748 COX, Reuben Greig, Spr.
 3513 CRAIG, John Shrimpton, L/Cpl.
 8917 CRAWFORD, Donald Mansfield, Dvr.
 24897 CROFT, Maxwell, L/Bdr.
 23022 CROUCH, Arthur Enos William, Pte.
 10555 CRUIKSHANK, Gordon William, Dvr.
 29221 CUMMINGS, Ernest John, Gnr.
 23950 CUMMINGS, William James Ferguson, Pte.
 24900 DALE, Watson Archer, Gnr.
 25105 DAVIES, Arthur.
 13970 DAVIES, John Arthur, T/Sergt.
 9091 DAVIS, Francis William, Dvr.
 8558 DAVIS, Harry James, Dvr.
 23965 DAVIS, William Maurice Clifton, Pte.
 23816 DAVISON, Roy Alfred, T/C.S.M.
 38220 DAVISON, Thomas Stanley, Cpl.
 7927 DAVY, Harold Alfred, Pte.
 20927 DAY, Cecil Raymond, Bdr.
 42497 DEAN, Athol Vernon, Pte.
 23842 DEE, Patrick John, T/Cpl.
 35236 DEEDMAN, Frederick Samuel, Pte.
 14896 DENNIS, William Robert, Pte.
 17939 DEVONPORT, Vincent, Pte.
 16900 DEY, Ivan George, Pte.
 31864 DICK, Archibald, Sgmn.
 12206 DOBSON, Dudley Roy, Dvr.
 9672 DOBSON, Robert Franklyn, Pte.
 23974 DONALDSON, Keith, Pte.
 60452 DOUGLAS, Arthur Graham, Gnr.
 15748 DOUGLAS, John Graham, T/Cpl.
 35352 DOYLE, John James, Pte.
 37705 DRAGER, Harold Colin, Pte.
 12545 DUFFIELD, Charles Herbert, Pte.
 24494 DURHAM, John Bernard, Gnr.
 14939 DYNES, Bernard Theodore, Pte.
 8551 EARL, Frederick Reginald, Sergt.
 29292 EAST, Edward, Pte.
 8941 EASTWICK, Reuben William, Dvr.
 30200 EDWARDS, Edward Philip, Cpl.
 4840 EVANS, Frank, Pte.
 48840 EVANS, Francis Oliver, Pte.
 36250 EVANS, Wilfred Reynolds, Pte.
 8890 FAIRBAIRN, Douglas Heathcote, Cpl.
 10690 FERGUSON, D. K., Pte.
 26256 FERGUSON, Jack William McKie, Pte.
 15321 FERGUSON, Frederick Gordon, L/Cpl.
 9003 FERGUSSON, William, Dvr.
 22846 FOOTE, William, Gnr.
 40803 FORDHAM, Ivan George, Pte.
 12790 FORRESTER, Thomas Cyril, Pte.
 21573 FORSYTH, Alan McLeod, Pte.
 7989 FREEMAN, A. M., Dvr.
 32857 FROGGATT, Lawrence, Pte.
 8544 FULCHER, James Hand, Dvr.
 14247 FURNESS, Clarence John, Pte.
 11972 GAIR, Gilbert John, Pte.
 9034 GALLETLY, Alexander David, Dvr.
 41893 GATE, Edward Hope, Dvr.
 61697 GATTSCHKE, Moana Te Rangī, Gnr.
 14167 GAMBLE, Stanley Edison, Pte.
 8913 GARLICK, William Jno., L/Cpl.
 10537 GEARY, Frank, Dvr.
 6524 GILES, John McManaway, Sergt.
 9065 GILLON, Ian, Dvr.
 43544 GILMORE, Allan John, Dvr.
 5034 GOODWIN, David J., Dvr.
 33207 GORDON, Ernest Francis Osmond, Pte.
 9372 GOWANS, Hugh Black, Pte.
 3784 GRACIE, Alexander Ralph, Pte.
 9074 GRAHAM, John William, Dvr.
 11841 GRAINGER, William Gilford Alexander, Pte.
 16570 GRANT, Peter McPherson, Pte.
 2981 GRANT, Leonard Richard, Pte.
 8956 GRAY, Arthur Albert, Sergt.
 8622 GREEP, William George, Dvr.
 13370 GREER, Gilbert Acheson, Pte.
 24537 GREY, Leonard Marshall, Gnr.
 36616 GRIBBLE, James McDonald, Sergt.
 37051 GRIEVE, William Noel, T/Sergt.
 8243 GROVE, John Linacre Martin, Pte.
 25170 GUNDRY, Willis Edwin, Pte.
 25044 GURNEY, Gilbert Septimus, Pte.
 9032 HALL, Raymond George, Dvr.
 41537 HALLE, Leigh Philip, Pte.
 4804 HAMILTON, Charles, Pte.
 22277 HAMILTON, Frederick William, Cpl.
 9106 HARDIE, Graham Hansford, Dvr.
 15038 HARVEY, David Reginald, Pte.
 29907 HATTAWAY, Alfred Selwyn, Pte.
 13354 HATTON, Cecil, Pte.
 11818 HAWKES, William Henry Clyde, Pte.
 3208 HAY, Kenneth Joseph, Pte.
 15089 HAYES, Thomas Joseph, Pte.
 13434 HEADS, Alfred Robert, Pte.
 16194 HENRY, George Scott, Pte.
 20366 HEPBURN, Allan, Gnr.
 29236 HEWARD, Godfrey Wilfred, Gnr.
 12301 HEWKEY, Stanley Francis, Pte.
 6622 HILL, William, Pte.
 7687 HISLOP, Joseph Keith, Pte.
 8146 HOGG, John, Pte.
 12876 HOGG, Thomas Carrick, Pte.
 17172 HOLLAMBY, Albert Edward, Pte.
 14967 HOOPER, William Leslie, Pte.
 16077 HORGAN, Vincent, Pte.
 7517 HOUSE, Neville Maitland, Dvr.
 8277 HOWARD, Kenneth Charles, Pte.
 15504 HOWARD, Robert Rogers, Pte.
 12573 HOWELL, Thomas Henry, Pte.
 15082 HUDSON, Willoughby Richard, Pte.
 10542 HUGHES, Edward, Sergt.
 10987 HUNTER, Ben Cyril, Cpl.
 61751 HUTCHINS, Francis Wm. George, Gnr.
 14400 INGERSON, Rodney William, Pte.
 24094 INWOOD, Alan Antonia, Pte.
 5672 JACKSON, D'Arcy Ashbrooke, Pte.
 32876 JONES, Fredk. C., Pte.
 38886 JONES, Norman Henry, Pte.
 16249 JONES, Ronald Augustine, Pte.
 41815 KEEGAN, Charles Henry, Dvr.
 20517 KIBBLEWHITE, Fredk. A., Sgt.
 62509 KIDD, James Hugh, Pte.
 8076 KIMBER, Harry Wallace, Pte.
 43209 KING, Arthur Edward, Pte.
 32883 LANGMAN, Harry Ronald, Pte.
 32660 LAMBERT, Cyril Charles, Pte.
 8222 LANCASTER, Frank, Pte.
 24136 LAVIN, John William, Pte.
 5795 LAZARUS, Mitchell, Cpl.
 24123 LEGGE, Edward Ernest A., Pte.
 62378 LETT, John William, Pte.
 11597 LE VAILLANT, Henry Harvey, Pte.
 17177 LEWIS, George Alfred, Pte.
 38250 LEWIS, George Ernest Wm., Pte.
 43247 LINDSAY, Anderson R., Pte.
 33558 LINDSAY, William, Pte.
 63047 LITTLE, John Allenby, Pte.
 15409 LOADER, Edward Desmond, Pte.

26479 LOUDEN, Edward Charles, Pte.
 22793 LOUISSON, Charles L., Gnr.
 8113 LOWE, Sydney Shellford, Pte.
 16944 LOY, Albert Samuel, Pte.
 26482 LYNN, Robert David, Pte.
 24639 MASON, William, Gnr.
 62120 MERTON, Lancelot G., Pte.
 30983 MURDOCH, Wallace, Sgt.
 26273 NORMAN, Charles Adam, Pte.
 31041 O'CONNELL, James Henry, Sgt.
 16763 ODELL, John Vincent, Pte.
 7140 MCCLINTOCK, Douglas A., Pte.
 29750 MCCLUGGAGE, Hector, Pte.
 32424 MCKENZIE, James, Pte.
 23152 MCLEOD, Norman Hector, Pte.
 24215 PACKER, Ernest Henry Wm., Pte.
 29609 POWELL, Glyn C. B., Pte.
 63315 PLESCHER, Paul Joseph, Pte.
 22696 PRESTON, Edward Arthur, Cpl.
 32898 PRICE, Laurie Noel, L/Cpl.
 21529 RAWSON, Ellis M., Pte.
 16810 ROBINSON, Joseph Anthony, Pte.
 24275 RYAN, Thomas James, Pte.
 16036 SHARP, Robert Clark, Pte.
 8517 SILKE, Martin, Pte.
 15000 SMITH, Lawrence Charles, Pte.
 21606 STANLEY, Hilton Richard, Pte.
 63341 STEPHENS, Murray Robert, Pte.
 32912 TATTERSALL, Thomas L., L/Cpl.
 32911 TAYLOR, Trevor C., Pte.
 32913 THATCHER, Mervyn H., Pte.
 12198 WAFER, John Bernard, Pte.
 62928 WELCH, Colin T., Pte.
 24371 WICKINS, Roy Albert, Pte.
 11142 WILLIAMS, Charles Neil, Pte.
 62299 WILLIAMS, Ross, Pte.
 16307 WILLIAMS, Walter Francis, Pte.
 15251 WINDER, Ernest Clifford, Pte.
 62268 WITHEY, Leonard Henry G., Pte.

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Killed in Action

1969 FOUBISTER, William, 2/Lieut.
 63170 JENSEN, Andrew Edward, Pte.
 40909 LAMBERT, Raymond Gifford, Pte.
 62648 MANUEL, Johnny, Pte.
 25970 PAORA, Waihora, Pte.
 62651 PERRETT, Jno. Douglas, Pte.
 65481 RUKI, Terpu, Pte.
 39511 WHARERAU, Maru, Pte.

Killed—Result of Accident

14384 NARBEE, Leo Gregory, Pte.

Died of Wounds

16375 BENNETT, Peter Jack, Gnr.
 36032 CROFT, Richard James, Pte.
 7097 LEE, George Lacey, Lieut.
 39167 PARINGATAI, Manuhou, Pte.
 17098 RENDALL, William Balfour, Pte.

Wounded

25811 BAKER, Hubert George, Cpl.
 62575 BARNEY, Geo. Allan, L/Cpl.
 21736 BRYDON, Rex Douglas, Spr.
 28139 CUTHORTH, Eric Edward, Bdr.
 62304 DANIEL, Harry Bradsmore, Spr.
 10364 DAWSON, William Arthur, Pte.
 29053 DEEVEES, Stanley Richard, Gnr.
 924 HOHAIA, Robert, Pte.
 24676 McFETRIDGE, Wm. Leslie, Gnr.
 23160 NUNNS, Clifford Arthur, Sergt.
 62759 PARAKE, Hone, Pte.
 39423 PANIORA, Tiopira, Pte.
 18999 RANKIN, Robt. Kitchener, Pte.

Previously Reported Missing, Now Reported Not Missing, but Wounded

28981 PODEVIN, Max Sibbet, Gnr.

Previously Reported Missing, Now Reported Not Missing

37423 DEELEY, Arthur Sydney, Dvr.
 62478 EAST, Norman Edgar, Pte.
 20932 LACASSIE, Edmund Geo., Bdr.
 14531 MERRETT, Reuben Edwin, Pte.

Missing and Wounded

34174 BROWN, Ronald Rennie, Pte.
 15486 LYTLE, Maurice, Pte.

Prisoners of War (Previously Reported Wounded)

25486 BERRYMAN, Frank, Gnr.
 9863 CHAPPELL, Jack, Dvr.
 25134 ERSKINE, Albert Henry, Pte.
 29948 GOODING, Raymond, Pte.
 14642 JONES, Basil Wm., Pte.
 44507 JURY, Jack Vincent, Pte.
 8449 MASON, Stanley Joseph, Pte.
 63760 SUTHERLAND, Leslie Courtney, Gnr.
 33247 TINDALE, Colin Kenneth, Gnr.

Prisoner of War (Previously reported Wounded and Missing)

60284 RYDER, Douglas Malcolm, T/S/Sergt.

Previously reported Killed in Action Now reported Not Killed, but Wounded

42508 SANFORD, Robert Charles, Pte.

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12859 ABERNETHY, Thomas R., Pte.
9272 ADAMS, Wm. Francis, Pte.
13484 ALLAN, Alexander Wm., Pte.
36410 ALDERTON, Albert Victor Jas., L/Cpl.
42912 ANDERSON, Robert J., Pte.
33302 ASHE, Bruce Vincent, Sgmn.
24998 BARR, Vernon Howard, Pte.
25006 BARNES, James Cecil, Pte.
17738 BARNES, John Francis, Pte.
15390 BARNETT, Eric, Pte.
42017 BARR, John Henry, Dvr.
15271 BARTLETT, Sydney J., Pte.
42132 BATEMAN, Richard Robert, Dvr.
35166 BEECH, Max Oswald, Dvr.
41029 BENFELL, Albert Edward, Dvr.
41703 BEST, George Wm. K., Dvr.
37807 BETTLE, John Morgan, Pte.
42144 BLACK, Harold Robertson, Dvr.
29742 BLACKWELL, John Cedric, Pte.
21492 BOND, Raymond Clarence, Pte.
42137 BOULDEN, Cyril Leslie, Dvr.
41705 BOURKE, Cosslett John, Dvr.
29498 BOYCE, Christie Harold, Pte.
61316 BROOK, Harold Thompson, Gnr.
8013 BROOKES, Arthur, W.O.2
9263 BRUCE, Charles Douglas, Pte.
41496 BUDDLE, Alan Percy, Pte.
34028 CAMERON, Keith, Sgmn.
16288 CAMPBELL, Robert Albert, Pte.
25826 CARSON, Henry, Pte.
13317 CLARK, James Marcus T., Pte.
17706 COOKE, Ivan James Quick, Pte.
31830 COLEMAN, Leopold Ronald, Pte.
41476 COURSEY, Lindsay Henry, Pte.
3558 COX, Harry Walter Jack, Pte.
14499 DAVEY, Walter John, Pte.
16551 DAVIS, William Henry Raby, Pte.
33043 DELBRIDGE, Arthur Thos. C., Pte.
12377 DIKE, Leslie Alexander, Pte.
17145 DREDGE, Harold Egbert, Pte.
41847 EVANS, Albert John W., Dvr.
8144 FAMILTON, Gordon Law, Pte.
12178 FERGUSON, Cecil Francis, Pte.
41547 FIELD, Evered Lawrence, Pte.
26606 FINLAYSON, Graeme Andre, Cpl.
42102 FITZGERALD, Gerald Michael, Dvr.
13333 FLYNN, Robert, Pte.
16182 FORD, Selwyn Ross, Pte.
36307 FRASER, Donald, Pte.
36311 FRASER, John Liddle, Pte.
13099 GILMORE, Gordon Thomas, Pte.
62975 GILMORE, Leslie Alex., Pte.
14937 GORDON, Ronald James E., Pte.
15801 GRACE, Herbert Francis, Pte.
17171 GRAHAM, Fred, Pte.
27849 HADEN, Brooke Mitchell, Gnr.
13265 HADFIELD, Ralph Gordon, Pte.
14639 HAMILTON, Ian James, Pte.
62022 HAMMOND, John Charles, Cpl.
13681 HATTON, William James, Pte.
24556 HAWKINS, Raymond Joseph, Gnr.
42062 HAYDEN, Glenn Sutherland, Pte.
18442 HEBBERD, Frank James, Pte.
21000 HODSON, Robert Arthur, Pte.
16073 HOLLAND, Charles Henry D., Pte.
21510 HOOPER, Stephen Harold, Pte.

12926 HUNT, Richard Charles Robert, Pte.
13528 HYDE, Raymond Giles, Pte.
32441 HYNES, Wallace Francis Rennie, A/Cpl.
13557 JACKSON, Thomas, Cpl.
15075 JAMES, Douglas Sydney, Pte.
5881 JENKINS, William Brown, Pte.
16013 JONES, Chris. Bright, Pte.
29674 JOSEPH, Alexander, Pte.
13305 JOSEPH, James Robert, Pte.
11950 JUDD, Raymond Butler, Pte.
29060 KELLY, William Arthur, Gnr.
39715 KEPA, Mahu, Pte.
41677 KERRISON, Albert Rayney, Dvr.
13159 LANEY, Euan Alfred, Pte.
12830 LEONARD, William Maurice, Pte.
21128 LEWES, Roy Joseph, Gnr.
8282 LOCHHEAD, George Lambie, L/Cpl.
12092 LOGAN, Colin Muir, Pte.
13362 LOW, Leslie Peter, Pte.
13121 McCALLUM, James Duncan, Pte.
24670 McCULLOUGH, James Rea, Gnr.
14995 MCGREGOR, James Alexr., Pte.
15035 McHUGH, Matthew, Pte.
15719 McINTOSH, Archibald C., Pte.
11009 McKECHNIE, Frank Harper McIver, Cpl.
3004 McKENDRICK, William, Pte.
24944 MADDEN, Patrick John, Gnr.
26265 MALINS, Albert Raymond, Pte.
17415 MATHESON, John Archibald, G., Pte.
36668 MAY, Samuel Hastings, Pte.
12803 MEYNELL, Clarence Joseph, Pte.
8078 MILLAR, Edward Keith, Pte.
36139 MILLER, Horace Sydney, Pte.
15458 MOCKFORD, Thomas Henry, Pte.
7467 MOTTRAM, Thomas, Pte.
16645 MURPHY, Walter Lorraine, Pte.
15058 OAKES, Arthur Joseph, Pte.
43435 OLSON, Roy Edward, Pte.
16305 OSBORNE, Arthur Frank, Pte.
24701 OWEN, Jack Hone, Gnr.
33821 PASLEY, Frederick Gilbert, Pte.
41554 PEARSON, Arthur Joseph, Pte.
9893 PECK, John Lawrence, Pte.
41551 PEILLON, Paul Henry, Pte.
17222 PHILPOT, John George, Pte.
24247 QUEDLEY, James, Pte.
14240 QUINIAN, John Andrew, Pte.
19223 RANKIN, Peter Leslie, Pte.
35742 RAWLINGS, Arthur Goodenough, Pte.
13884 REID, William Shephard, A/Sgt.
17320 ROBINSON, John Edward, Pte.
37845 ROSINDALE, Wilfrid Neville, Pte.
17496 ROSS, Arthur Leslie, Pte.
16773 RUDKIN, Lewis Edward, Pte.
14173 SARCHET, Horace Clive, Pte.
62211 SCHWANN, Wm. Ernest Henry, Pte.
30780 SHORTUS, Allan James, Pte.
10311 SIMPSON, Godfrey Herbert, Pte.
21101 SINCLAIR, Kenneth John, Gnr.
41968 SMITH, Hector Gordon, Dvr.
62920 SMITH, John William, Pte.
38011 SMITH, Lewis Desmond, Pte.
15185 SNELL, John Thomas, Pte.
24787 SPEIGHT, Geoffrey George, Gnr.
31901 STEWART, David Gilbert, Sgmn.
9864 STEWART, Edwin Edward A., Pte.
24965 STRIDE, Walter Edward, Gnr.
41187 SULLIVAN, John, Pte.

19051 TAVERNER, Gavin Thomas, Pte.
36674 TAYLOR, Douglas Leslie, Pte.
24324 THACKER, George Wearne, L/Cpl.
26587 THATCHER, Cyril Edwin, Pte.
41970 THOMAS, Daniel Charles, Dvr.
35645 THOMSON, David Boag, Pte.
35347 THOMSON, George, Pte.
13350 THOMSON, William John, Pte.
21545 THURSTON, Bernard Herbert, Pte.
32707 TIFFEN, James Duncan, Pte.
37849 TUFFLEY, Desmond Drydon, Pte.
8706 TUOHY, Victor Warkworth, Pte.
18275 TURNER, Gordon Leonard, Pte.
40886 TYER, William Leonard, Dvr.
42122 URWIN, William Raymond, Dvr.
24353 VICKERY, Henry Bruce, Pte.
20326 WAKELING, Maurice Ronald, Gnr.
12037 WALKER, Charles Rex, Pte.
15213 WALKER, William, Pte.
16170 WATSON, Donovan Norman, A/L/Cpl.
41525 WATSON, Maitland George N., Pte.
24970 WEBSTER, Philip, L/Bdr.
15997 WHITE, Elvyn Thompson, Pte.
12693 WILLIAMS, Lester Bernard, Pte.
24378 WILLIS, Walter, Pte.
8252 WILLOCKS, Ralph, Pte.
4090 WINSLADE, Norman, Sgt.
26563 WISEMAN, George Albert, Pte.
32917 WOLFE, Stanley Bertram, Pte.
4233 WOOD, David, Dvr.
61556 WYNNE, William Barclay, Gnr.
37058 YOUNG, Jerry, Pte.
40271 ZACHAN, Alexander Arthur W., Pte.

Prisoners of War Previously Reported Missing

24376 ARNOTT, Jack, Gnr.
22067 BERICHI, Ronald Ivan S., Pte.
32174 BILLINGS, Adrian Kinross, Spr.
11831 BURKE, Martin Basil, Pte.
9350 CALDER, Ian William, Pte.
17007 CREIGHTON, Robt. Jas., Pte.
14918 EDBROOKE, Raymond Frank, Pte.
62974 FAIL, Edward William, Pte.
10499 FARLEY, Cecil, Dvr.
35502 GILSHANAN, Lancelot Ivor, Pte.
61845 GUNTER, Eric, Gnr.
11498 KELLY, Ross Andrew, Cpl.
34344 LILLEY, Louis Edward, T/L/Cpl.
15868 MACPHERSON, Jno. Dickson, Pte.
14737 MARSTON, Roland Joseph, Pte.
41823 MILLS, Percival Oswald Gordon, Bur field, Cpl.
17300 MORRISON, Alfred Edward, Pte.
36367 PAUL, Morley Allan Clifton, Pte.
61387 RINGLAND, Jno. Morrison, Bdr.
17420 RUSBRIDGE, Thos. Ross, Pte.
25372 SIGNAL, Francis William, Pte.
17274 SKINNER, Wm. Gerard, Pte.
24790 STANLEY, Desmond Jas., Gnr.
28283 STEWART, Jack, Pte.
4503 SUNLEY, Robt. Vivian, Dvr.
1443 TASKER, Norman Clifford, T/Sergt.
15950 TAYLOR, John Thomas, Pte.
41470 WILKIE, Eric John, Pte.
18287 WILSON, Allan, Pte.
38797 WORSLEY, Darrell Geo., Dvr.

OBITUARY

Mr. Kenneth Mackenzie, who died at Auckland on January 15, at the age of 56, was an outstanding figure in New Zealand medicine. After graduating from Edinburgh in 1908 Mr. Mackenzie gained his M.D. in 1911, his fellowship in 1912, and his M.Ch. in 1913. He returned to New Zealand to practise as a consulting surgeon and was soon appointed to the honorary staff of the Auckland Hospital, where for many years he has been one of the senior surgeons. He was a grand teacher, with a natural gift for imparting knowledge, and his ward rounds will be remembered by successive generations of students. In all he undertook he was thorough. Case-notes of every patient under his care, either in private or hospital practice were filed. Nor were these records left undisturbed, for by careful analysis of his work and results Mackenzie was always striving for greater perfection.—*The Lancet*.

Mr. Edward Burgess Martin, one of the best-known horticulturists in the Nelson district, aged 73.

Mr. Wilfrid Graham Morpeth, Wellington stockbroker, aged 60. He served in Samoa and France in the last war.

Miss Catherine Harvey Sewell, of Foxton, aged 78.

Mr. James William Henderson, at Karori, aged 84. He was a member of the Anglican General Synod for nearly 40 years and a member of the Karori Borough Council for 20 years.

Mr. Harold C. Boon, a noted Wellington rifle shot, aged 31.

Mr. John Lyons, well-known Hawkes Bay sheep farmer, at Hautapu, aged 58.

Mr. William Leonard Palmer, J.P., farmer and pedigree stock breeder, of Waimea Plains, Nelson, aged 73.

Mr. John Bates, one of the first pupils of Wanganui Collegiate School, at Waverley, aged 83.

Mr. Assid Abraham Corban, pioneer of the Auckland grape-growing and wine industry, at Henderson, aged 77.

Mr. H. V. Gregory, a New Plymouth solicitor.

Mr. Andrew George Williams, popular Wellington golfer, who served in the last war for four years, aged 55.

Mr. Anthony White, head buyer for the Tomoana Freezing Works, aged 62.

Mr. W. H. Southcombe, a Patea pioneer, aged 78.

Mr. Lee Augustus Lonergan, a prominent motor trader, at Wellington, aged 47.

Mr. Reginald G. Hallamore, former well-known cricketer and footballer, of Invercargill, aged 68.

On March 11, at Dunedin, after a short illness, Ferdinand Stanley Batchelor, F.R.C.S.

On March 16, at "Dundevale," Timaru, Walter John Wyndham Steward, Commander R.N. (Rtd.), aged 77.

RUGBY

The R.N.Z.A.F. team did remarkably well to defeat the strong Wasps club in a match played at Sudbury on March 14, on a heavy ground which rather favoured the Wasps' heavy forwards, who secured almost a monopoly of the ball from the set scrums. Thanks, however, to the excellence of the New Zealand forwards in the loose—with Berthelsen, Wells, Gordon, and Blomfield prominent, the three-quarter line, always dangerous when in possession, received sufficient opportunities for the side to run out winners by 6 points to 3. In the first half E. Grant intercepted a pass, swerved past the full-back and scored, and towards the end J. Cartwright scored another try. The New Zealanders narrowly missed scoring on other occasions.

The team was:—Backs: Sergt. H. Hatchard, P/O E. Grant (captain), N/A J. Cartwright, P/O R. Lees, Sergt. M. Cato, P/O A. Ellis, Sergt. C. Saunderson; forwards, Sergt. G. Samson, N/A J. Gordon, Cpl. E. Gray, Sergts. S. Wells, H. Crawford, J. Saunders, F. Berthelsen, and L.A.C. T. Blomfield.

On March 21 New Zealanders on leave in London were treated to a good exhibition of Rugby at Richmond Park, when a fifteen representing the R.N.Z.A.F. met a fifteen of the Welsh Guards. Included in the Welsh side was Hayden Tanner, who will be remembered as one of the Tanner-Davies schoolboy partnership which gave the 1935 All Blacks so much trouble.

The game was fast from the kick off, and although the weight in the forwards was in favour of the Welshmen, the New Zealand forwards had the ball from the majority of the scrums. The weakness of the New Zealand side lay in the back line, and in this respect it was disappointing that Sutherland (Southland) and Cartwright (Canterbury) were not available. Bob Bell-Boothe, however, was a tower of strength in the five-eighths, and even when he had to leave the field with a head injury, necessitating one of the forwards being taken out of the scrum, the New Zealand forwards still showed superiority in hooking. Towards the end of the game Bell-Boothe returned to the field and it was shortly before time that he was responsible for a brilliant score for New Zealand which brought the final score to 9-6 in favour of the Welshmen.

FATAL ACCIDENTS

The loss of four lives as the result of an accident in one of the H.M.N.Z. ships was announced with regret by the Minister of Defence, Mr. Jones. Four were also injured. The casualties were:—Killed: Allen, George Edmund Mantle, able seaman, Auckland; Scoullar, Patrick Emmett, able seaman, Khandallah; Simpson, Ian Keith, able seaman, Kaiapoi; West, Harry John, able seaman, Kaiapoi; Injured: Casey, Rex, Lieut., R.N.Z.V.R., minor injuries; Sherwood, Sidney Douglas, able seaman, critically injured; Bassett, Frederick Cyril, able seaman, seriously injured; Elliot, George Coombe, able seaman, minor injuries.

Able Seaman Sherwood is the elder son of Mr. F. M. Sherwood, private secretary to the Minister of Defence. He recently celebrated his twenty-first birthday.

A Royal New Zealand Air Force aircraft crashed during operational exercises from Nelson. The crew of four were apparently killed instantly when the aircraft crashed near the summit of a 700-ft. peak. They were: Pilot Officer Alexander John Macfarlane, Pilot Officer Louis George Volzke, Aircraftman Philip Davy Harrison, and Aircraftman Keith Robertson Jack.

Private William Patrick Coneglian, of Pihama, Taranaki, died of injuries after a motor accident at Eilerslie.

Leading Aircraftman C. H. J. Millar, of Woolston, was killed when his aeroplane crashed at Yaldhurst.

L.A.C. Gordon Keith Claris, who was killed in an aircraft collision at Blenheim, was born in Foxton in 1912. He was educated at Wellington College and Victoria University College. He represented Victoria College in boxing and Rugby, and was also a keen swimmer. Three other members of the R.N.Z.A.F. killed in the accident were Sergt. Matthew William Coxon, L.A.C. J. D. Hewett, an son of S/Leader J. D. Hewett, and L.A.C. Charles William Hildreth.

The vital role of the fighting services in the war against Japan was emphasised by Mr. Coates in an interview at Auckland. "I feel that the time has arrived when the fighting services must take over and handle the situation," he said. "It is for Australia and New Zealand to consider the problem. It is the fighting services who have to do the job. It is to them we look. In preparation for war I feel no measure is too strong or too ruthless to achieve the desired end. Attack will whip the Japanese." Mr. Coates said the Australians were solid in their determination to defend their country, but unfortunately there was an element there who could not be brought to realise that the enemy was tapping at the door. Many of those people were good and patriotic citizens, but did not see the danger and thus they themselves constituted a danger. Mr. Coates added a warning against giving credence to Tokyo radio propaganda.

MAORI PILOT OFFICER

By B. B.

Hailing from Otaki, in the Wellington Province, is Pilot Officer Kingi Tahiwai, who must be the first Maori Pilot Officer to be with us. We have had, and are still getting, many Maori boys who have chosen the Air Force, showing preference as Air Gunners. In New Zealand Pilot Officer Kingi Tahiwai is a well-known broadcaster, being Senior Announcer for 2 Z.B., Wellington. Coming to this country in October last, he immediately settled down to specialise, and has just finished the General Reconnaissance Course for a Coastal Command Pilot. He now awaits posting. While on leave in London he has made his debut before the English microphone by immediately sending a message to all the Maori Battalion in the Middle East. Later we hope to hear him at greater length. He also takes charge of the Maori broadcasting section in his home town. Those of us who can remember in the Lobbies of the House of Representatives in Wellington the familiar figures of the late Sir James Carroll, Sir Maui Pomare, Native Minister, and the Hon. Apirana Ngata, will be able to recall how crowded the galleries were when Parliament was in full session, and any one of these Maori members were to speak at any length in a debate. Their eloquence always left the gallery spellbound. The command the educated Maori has over the English language is unequalled.

Pilot Officer Kingi Tahiwai's father has also a link with the New Zealand Parliament, for he is Chief Maori Translator for the New Zealand Government. He also takes a very active part in New Zealand Rugby. He is secretary of the Maori Advisory Board of the Rugby Council, and on the Executive of the New Zealand Rugby Union.

Pilot Officer Kingi Tahiwai descends from the Ngati Raukawa tribe, the founder of which was the Maori Chief Te Rauparaha. A student in Arts at the Victoria College University of Wellington, this Maori Pilot Officer won the New Zealand University debating contest open to all the colleges, so we should hear more of him. After the war we shall probably see his name appearing regularly in Hansard.

The conclusion of Dr. A. J. Harrop's address at Leeds was omitted in error from our last issue:

AFTER THE WAR

"What should we do after the war to apply lessons already obvious? What will be the best memorial of all the sacrifices made on the altar of freedom? Surely not monuments of marble or brass, but something more lasting—living communities established in different parts of the Empire to give new meaning to our unity. A hundred years ago New Zealand was colonized by men and women who believed in freedom of expression, freedom of government. Their ideas prevailed. Their sons and grandsons and great-grandsons have fought for freedom in many lands. But New Zealand has still too few people to defend herself with certainty. Why should we not return to the ideals of the founders, and as memorials of this war found in New Zealand one or two complete settlements where every kind of worker could find occupation, with ample surrounding land for those who wish to farm? In the South Island there is just being completed a main trunk line opening up the country of North Canterbury and Marlborough. Why not two centres on this new line, where whole families could settle down as they did a hundred years ago, where those without families as a result of the war could live in hostels and forget their sorrows in the life of a new land?"

"The effect of the war upon Empire relations"—fundamentally the war has had a consolidating effect, thanks to a common hatred of Hitlerism. We have had our misunderstandings. We have seen much bungling by a bureaucracy overburdened with files, strangled by red tape. We have even questioned at times the judgment of those directing high policy. But we do try to keep before our eyes the fact that Britain, ill-prepared, virtually alone, kept at bay the mightiest war machine this world had ever seen. We know that whatever errors have been made they do not approach in magnitude two of those made by Hitler—his postponement of the attack on Britain after Dunkirk, and his attack on Russia. After this war we shall certainly see a new and a better British Empire, with some sort of co-ordinating general staff for the tasks of peace. In the past we have relied on improvisation in peace and war. In the future we must work to a plan."

At the University of Leeds Dr. Harrop spoke on "New Zealand: Development and Experiment." The Vice-Chancellor presided and a vote of thanks was moved by Professor A. Durward, who is a New Zealander.

CALLERS AT NEW ZEALAND HOUSE

Auckland: Pilot Officers Dane F. Fox, Noel P. Whaley, A. Mewa, H. Lock, J. M. Brookbanks, W. E. R. Alexander, G. D. A. Lundon, R. Suttick, Cpl. E. J. Glover, L/W.Mech. R. B. Smith, N/A.2 I. B. Holmes, Sergt. J. W. Gilligan, Sergt. Pilots W. A. Barnett, N. M. Clark, Mrs. Vere E. Bartlett, O/S P. L. Bardwell, L.A.C. R. L. Fidler, Sergt.-Obs. J. F. Sheridan, Able Seaman R. Broadhead.

Wellington: L.A.C. Victor C. Husband, Pilot Officers I. C. Lohrey, R. K. Andrew, L. Dayman, R. C. Smart, A.B. Noel W. Cook, A.C.1 Alfred E. Prime, L.W/Mech. W. J. Willis, O/S C. Shakespear, P. W. Millar, F/Lt. M. R. and Mrs. Barbara Cable, Sergt.-Pilots S. F. Browne, P. E. Preston, Sergt. H. R. Leckie.

Christchurch: N/A.2 J. R. Thomson, Supply Assistant B. A. S. Savage, A/B J. B. Riordan, Sergt.-Pilots N. A. Kiernan, D. H. Gordon, O/S P. J. Lawrence, Pilot Officers W. I. Charteris, N. B. Daniel, S. B. Peryman.

Dunedin: A/B Colin A. Reid, O/S A. J. Potter, Sergt.-Pilots A. H. Knewstubb, T. I. Manson, P/O G. Patrick, Mr. G. G. Armitage, O/S K. A. Williamson.

Surg.-Lieut. Colin G. Hunter, P/O S. M. McGregor (Napier), Sergt. R. E. Robinson, Sergt.-Pilots T. S. Cowin, K. C. Nobb-Campbell, O/S H. E. Creasy (Nelson), N/A.2 Alan C. McCracken (Whakatane), Supply Assistant R. D. Robertson, R.N., L/N.A. R. Martin, A/C.1 B. E. Attewell, O/S S. Burley (Gisborne), Supply Assistant H. T. Harman, F/Sergt. T. H. Bagnall, Pilot Officers R. L. Brabant, J. M. Warnock (Palmerston North), Supply Assistant A. G. Innes (Port Chalmers), O/S R. Evans (Feilding), Cpl. D. A. Anderson, O/S H. L. Armstrong, Sergt.-Pilot W. Kennedy (Invercargill), Sergt.-Pilot C. J. Sheddin (Waimate), Sergt.-Pilot D. S. Oldridge (Darfield), O/S T. K. Fellwell (Waihi), O/S W. J. Kurney (Rotorua), O/S Bruce A. Hunter (North Auckland), O/S R. B. Sedden (New Plymouth), O/S G. F. Stevens (Ashburton), O/S T. N. Sunderland (Havelock North), P/O D. M. Croy (North Canterbury), P/O P. J. Mundell (Hawkes Bay), P/O I. B. Spilman (Paraparaumu Beach), P/O A. R. B. Barton (Featherston), P/O G. M. Cunningham (Hastings), L/N.A. J. W. Clulee (Otago), L/N.A. L. R. Scorrar, Sergt.-Obs. A. G. Murray Coulam, L.A.C. D. A. Sanders (Hamilton), P/O D. Popplewell (Gore), Cpl. B. Harvey (Levin), P/O D. B. Mollgaard (Dannevirke).

NAVAL AND AIR FORCE DRAFTS

Officially Welcomed

Mr. W. J. Jordan, the High Commissioner, who is representing New Zealand on the Pacific War Council, was unable to meet New Zealand drafts for the Royal Navy (including Fleet Air Arm personnel) and Royal Air Force when they landed in this country recently from New Zealand. He was officially represented by Mr. S. R. Skinner, Chief Clerk of New Zealand House, who gave the officers and men a hearty welcome.

The New Zealanders were delighted to learn of the arrangements made for their further training and of the facilities existing for their well-being and comfort whilst on leave. They were informed that there was always a hearty welcome for them at New Zealand House and the New Zealand Forces Club, also that members of the New Zealand War Services Association were ever ready to help with anything causing them concern. Mr. Skinner thanked the Captain for the opportunity of addressing New Zealanders in his ship. It is pleasing to record that the Captain spoke in the highest terms of their conduct and bearing. He was very pleased indeed with the help rendered by the drafts during the voyage in watch-keeping and other duties for the safety of the ship.

CO-OPERATION WITH AUSTRALIA

Mr. Sullivan, in a broadcast, expressed keen satisfaction with the results of the mission to Australia. Once more, he said, the Anzac spirit had found expression in an agreement on the most vital matter that ever engaged the attention of the two peoples. One result would be the recognition of New Zealand as a base for the allied nations from which the forces of freedom might advance in a great offensive movement.

As a result of the discussions the New Zealand Ministers had been able to make very satisfactory arrangements regarding a whole series of very important commodities. These, said Mr. Sullivan, included supplies of components for various war requirements, and the purchase of a large quantity of Australian wheat to hold for an emergency. Through a representative of the British Ministry of Shipping arrangements had also been made for the improved transport of bulk commodities from abroad.—(Reuter.)

Squadron Leader Coleman

The death on active service of 26-year-old Squadron Leader Lloyd Watt Coleman, a New Zealander, is announced. He was awarded the D.F.C. in November, 1940, for an attack on railway yards and locomotive sheds at Munich. Despite intense anti-aircraft fire and the presence of balloons, he glided down to 3,500ft., and straddled the target with his bombs. He was awarded a bar to the D.F.C. in May, 1941, for a raid on Benina airfield, when it was stated that he had continuously displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty. Squadron Leader Coleman was a member of the New Zealand Masonic Lodge in London.

A friend writes: "Squadron Leader Coleman was the youngest son of the late Herbert Coleman, who was killed in the 1914-1918 war, and of Mrs. Coleman, of Havelock North. He was educated at Wanganui Collegiate School and at Pembroke College, Cambridge, where he took his degree in law with honours. While at Cambridge he spent a great deal of time flying, and gained the necessary proficiency certificates. He was called to the Bar in the spring of 1939, and on the outbreak of war entered the R.A.F. He took part in the bombing of Munich, and it was a bomb from the machine which he was piloting which hit the famous Beer Hall. For his work in this raid he was awarded the D.F.C., and later broadcast an account of it. He was then sent to the Middle East, where he gained a bar to his D.F.C., and on his return to England broadcast an account of "operations" over the desert. He was subsequently selected for specialist work in the R.A.F. His was a blithe and courageous spirit which knew not fear and was an inspiration to the many people, of all ages, who were privileged to know him and to enjoy his friendship."

The marriage was celebrated at St. Martin-in-the-Fields of Wing Commander Trevor O. Freeman, R.A.F., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Freeman, of Dunedin, New Zealand, and Miss Juliet Maitland Edwards, elder daughter of Brigadier and Mrs. G. Maitland Edwards, of Kensington Cottage, Newmarket. Canon A. C. Don (cousin of the bride) officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. J. P. Shirehampton, C.F. The reception was held at Fleming's Hotel, and the guests included Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jordan.

The wedding was celebrated at Broughton Parish Church on March 14 of Norman Kimbell, A/Squadron Leader, R.A.F.V.R. (second son of the late A. M. Kimbell, of New Zealand, and Mrs. Kimbell, of Paignton), and Pamela Spurrier, Subaltern, A.T.S. (elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spurrier, of Preston, Lancs.).

ORDER OF LENIN

Mr. Maisky Decorates New Zealander

One of the most picturesque ceremonies London has seen since the war started was the presentation of the Order of Lenin to four officers of the R.A.F. The officers were Wing Commander H. N. G. Ramsbottom-Isherwood, who is a New Zealander, Squadron Leader A. H. Rook, Squadron Leader A. G. Miller, and Pilot Officer Charlton Haw.

The officers were the guests of honour at a luncheon at the Soviet Embassy before the ceremony. The Soviet Ambassador and Mrs. Maisky's guests included Mrs. Winston Churchill and Miss Mary Churchill, Sir Archibald Sinclair, and Sir Charles Portal.

The presentation of the Order of Lenin was preceded by the reading of the edict, dated November 27, 1941, of the Praesidium of the Soviet Union giving the citation of the awards for "exemplary fulfilment of duty and for valour shown." Mr. Maisky, in a speech of high political importance which has been fully reported in the world's press, first referred specifically to the deeds of the R.A.F. officers and to the comradeship in arms which they had established with the men of the Red Air Force. They had left a good memory of themselves behind in Russia, and the comradeship they had done so much to build up should be a pattern for the relations of the two countries both now and after the war. "On behalf of the Soviet Government, the Red Army, the Red Navy and the Red Air Force, I congratulate most heartily these four brave members of the Royal Air Force on being awarded the highest mark of distinction the Union can bestow—a decoration they fully deserve for their courage, skill and devotion to our common cause. They fought magnificently on the Murmansk front and helped to clear the sky of the Fascist birds of prey."

After the ceremony there was a reception at the Embassy, and those present had an opportunity of learning from the R.A.F. officers and from Russian officers present something of the fighting conditions on Russia's northern front. One gathered from the R.A.F. men that they were tremendously impressed by the speed with which Russian airmen adapted themselves to the Hurricane machines. They also gave the impression that they believed that when Hitler mounts his much-advertised Spring offensive he will not be given nearly as much rope as last year and that the Russians will succeed in keeping the initiative.

The four officers, Mrs. Isherwood, Mrs. Miller, and other guests were entertained at a dinner party at the Savoy Hotel on Wednesday night. Squadron Leader Isherwood, who came from Blenheim to the R.A.F. twelve years ago, was pleased to meet New Zealanders who had mutual friends in Marlborough. Mrs. Isherwood, who is English, is very anxious to see New Zealand, and was very disappointed when a two-year exchange arranged for her husband had to be abandoned owing to the war. She has experienced many changes of scene as an Air Force officer's wife. Perhaps the most disconcerting experience was to move to Lancashire supposedly for six months and three days later to find her husband posted to Russia. She received his letters regularly, but hers arrived in two large batches, one while he was there and one after he got back.

The Isherwoods have a daughter aged two and a half, who is already demonstrating quick intelligence by picking out her father's picture in the papers—an exercise for which she has had ample scope since Wing Commander Isherwood's selection for the onerous task of leading the R.A.F. contingent in Russia. That task demanded not only high qualities of airmanship but also of character and leadership, and New Zealand may well be proud of his success.

During the mission to Australia from which they have just returned, two members of the War Cabinet, Mr. D. G. Sullivan and Mr. J. G. Coates, held consultations with the Australian War Cabinet and the Commonwealth War Advisory Council, while the chiefs of staffs of both countries had close discussions with American representatives.

In a joint interview the Ministers said that they had been greatly heartened by the immediate outcome of the mission, Mr. Coates adding: "The important matters before us have gone as far as words can take them; all that remains is action." Mr. Sullivan said that they presented New Zealand's view of the necessity of building up a common plan to which both countries could work on land, sea, and air. The next stage was to get plans from the respective chiefs of staff for defence in depth in both countries, acting on the principle of building up supply bases and then reaching a point where they could take the offensive.

Mr. Coates said that the consultations had been taken to the stage where a scheme had been accepted in general principles. It now had to go to Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt and their colleagues. With reference to the question of supply, Mr. Sullivan said that a procedure had been worked out offering encouraging possibilities.

TOTAL WAR EFFORT

The total war effort is involving new calls on men and women. It is announced that men between the ages of 46 and 50, and women of 20 and 21 are to be registered for essential war work. Mr. Fraser said that it was vitally important that national service should be available for men who have been found medically unfit for military service, who would thus really be part of the national organisation for winning the war.

"The Government has full confidence that the people of New Zealand recognise and appreciate the truth that every possible effort must be made to mobilise and use the full strength of the country in a strenuous fight for victory," he said.

"Every possible precaution must be taken against waste or loss of labour, time and materials. Every New Zealander must and will help to save New Zealand—our salvation is linked up with the saving of civilisation—and organise so that we can co-operate with our allies in the defeat of our enemies and the advance of victory in the Pacific and elsewhere."

Mr. Fraser also announced the War Cabinet's approval of regulations for compulsory service in the Home Guard. A further step announced confers authority on the Ministry of National Service to direct any class or classes of persons to undertake war work.

Mr. Fraser said that where urgent works for defence or civil purposes were required the new provision will enable adequate labour to be quickly diverted for the purpose.—(Reuter.)

MARRIED MEN CALLED UP

The first call-up of married men in this country for military service in the present war was to take place in January with the issue of a special *Gazette* containing the names of all married men between the ages of 18 and 46 without children, and also all the remaining single men who have not previously been called in any ballot (mainly those who have recently attained the age of 18 years and those of 20 years of age). The total will be approximately 27,000 men.

The Minister of National Service (Mr. Semple) said this decision had been made because it had become necessary to bring the Territorial Force up to full war establishment, and was an additional step to that already taken recently of ordering the mobilisation for January 10 of the balance of the National Military Reserve and the Territorial Force.

Mr. Semple announced that if and when more men are required to complete the numbers necessary for the present stage of mobilisation they will be drawn from married men between the ages of 18 and 24 years inclusive, irrespective of the number of children.

Wellington, March 18.

The increased danger of a Japanese thrust on Fiji or on New Zealand, following the over-running of the A.B.D.A. area, was emphasised by Mr. Fraser in an address to the House of Representatives before it went into secret session. This factor was vitally important both for New Zealand and the Allied cause, he said, since the retention of New Zealand and Australia as bases for defensive and offensive action and as vital links in the chain of communications with the U.S.A. was an essential feature of general strategy in the Pacific. To wrest the initiative from the enemy and begin an offensive required a gigantic effort by the Allied nations, and careful and comprehensive organisation in building up forces and preparing plans. This had engaged the full attention of all the Allied countries in the Pacific and was an essential preliminary to any form of successful offensive action. The stage had been reached, he added, when we could not afford a single mistake.

New Zealand had lost no opportunity of expressing her point of view and pressing her needs before the British and United States Governments, and as a result of these efforts a large measure of assistance had been promised, many forms of which were under way. Saying that the duty of the Government and the people was to prepare for all eventualities with the utmost possible vigour, Mr. Fraser added that the spirit of New Zealand and the people was good. It would not wince or falter in the hour of danger. "We have the power and will to do our part and we are not alone. We are part of that mighty army of freedom which is forming and arming with ever-increasing might and speed. We have faith in ourselves and our friends."—(Reuter.)

The wedding of Miss Lucille Lisle and Lieut. Nicholas Harris, R.N.V.R., was celebrated at Tewkesbury Avenue.

Miss Marie Ney arrived safely in Colombo from Malaya. Her husband, Mr. Thomas H. Menzies, "scorched" his rubber plantation at Kuala Lumpur and was able to leave by another ship. His arrival at Colombo had not been reported.

NEWS BY CABLE

N.Z. Government Service for the Forces

Cabling from Cairo, the Official War Correspondent described the hardest downpour in the Western Desert and the severity of the Libyan winter. "Gathering rapidly on the rocky tableland the flood water overflowed through the nearest outlets or steep wadis where many of our men were sheltering in shallow dug-outs or low bivouacs and tents. Efforts to dig escape channels were useless. The water rushed down, filling the gunpits and slit trenches, washing out the bivvies and turning the whole area into a quagmire. Men on the higher flat land were even less fortunate. Unable to seep through the hard ground, the water filled the trenches. Below the escarpment the area which was usually a wide dustbowl became covered with water, until only the tops of the trucks could be seen. New Zealand troops have come to accept a sandstorm one day, floods the next, as part of their job, with always the same cheerful philosophy that made them the best of Desert fighters. They cursed the lack of water one week and the plenitude the next. Rain meant hours of wet clothes, extra digging and cleaning of equipment, but they could joke about it. 'One consolation,' a gunner told me, 'is that Jerry is getting as much as we are, and it's real Anti-Panzer weather.'"

The annual meeting of the New Zealand Sheepowners' Fund for British Seamen referred to the splendid response of the Flock House boys and girls. Over 280 of the boys are in the Services, and some of the girls are in the Middle East and England. One boy was recently mentioned in dispatches. The Roll of Honour showed six killed in action, eleven wounded and missing, six wounded, and 16 prisoners of war. Since the inauguration of the Fund, cash grants to the amount of £78,895 have been made, and £95,830 spent on immigration, settlement, training and aftercare. The New Fund is rapidly growing and now stands at £24,000.

Obituary.—Mr. Charles Stuart Nelson, head teller of the Union Bank, Wellington. He was a popular singer, and was prominent in the Kiwi Entertainment Troupe in the last war, as a female impersonator.

Mr. John Adams, a member of the Committee for 40 years of the Pakuranga Hunt. He was interested in pheasant and duck shooting.

Mr. W. W. Smith, designer and curator of Pukekura Park, New Plymouth, and formerly of the Ashburton Domain. He was esteemed as a field naturalist, whose work was used in all leading books on New Zealand botany.

Mrs. Ngarongo Kanika, of Waitotara Valley, aged 107. She had five sons and two daughters, the eldest being 80.

Mr. D. W. Dunlop, for 13 years secretary to the Auckland Educational Board. Formerly a teacher at Napier Street School area, Northcote. He served in the South Africa war with the Mounted Infantry.

The explosion of a camp stove on Christmas Day resulted in the death last week of Seymour Frank Gordon, a farmer of Herekino.

Gordon Anderson, a clerk in the Broadcasting Service, was injured by fire in a Sydney Street apartment house, Wellington. He was hauled out by other inmates, but died in Wellington Hospital.

Clarence Gilbert Oliver, manager of Hakataramea Hatchery, died as the result of gunshot wounds inflicted by James Main, the 14-year-old son of the widow of a former manager. Oliver, who is alleged to have been mentally unsound, apparently fired at the Hatchery residence and then approached the residence stealthily, disregarding the warning of the lad, who fired, inflicting fatal wounds.

Harry Chapman, aged 70, who suffered from defective eyesight, fell through footpath opening to the cellars of the Carlton Club Hotel, Hastings, while employees were unloading beer.

Mr. L. W. Woolley, of Lower Hutt, has been appointed secretary of the Wellington R.S.A. He served in the last war for two years in France with the Field Ambulance.

Bequests in the will of the late Mr. E. O. Hurley, a solicitor of Palmerston North, include £500 each to the Coleraine Cottage Hospital, and the Banu Rowing Club, Coleraine, Ireland, £1,000 to All Saints Anglican Home, Palmerston North, and £1,000 to Massey College to establish a Bursary to commemorate his brother, John Alexander Hurley.

Jeffery Moody, of Timaru, holds a record for the Home Guard. Though 85 years of age he has attended all parades.

A new factory is to be opened shortly at Timaru for the manufacture of macaroni, vermicelli and spaghetti.

Mr. H. W. Kitchingham, of Greymouth, has celebrated his eightieth birthday. Congratulations were received from all over New Zealand. He is the oldest member of the Greymouth Jockey Club, having been a member for 62 years. He is president of the Greymouth Trotting Club, of which he has been a member for 50 years, and is now president of the New Zealand Trotting Association, which he joined

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31 years ago. He is well known as a lawyer and has lived on the same section in Tainui Street since 1872.

John Malneek, a well-borer, of Martinborough, was trapped at the bottom of a well on the property of Percy Cooper at Waimana, Gladstone. Desperate attempts made to reach him were foiled by the narrowness of the passage and the struts across the sides holding the well. Superintendent E. C. Clark, of the Masterton Fire Brigade, was let down on a rope, but jammed in the shaft. He was extricated after a long period in an exhausted condition. Malneek was believed to be dead, but later he regained consciousness. It is thought that the cold night air revived Malneek, whom the fumes had made unconscious, and he was finally able to adjust a rope to enable the rescuers to haul him 115 feet to safety.

The estate of the late Mr. R. E. McDougall, proprietor of Aulsebrook and Company, has been sworn at under £550,000. His wife and three daughters inherit the estate.

Cricket.—Auckland: North Shore being declared winners of the Auckland Senior Competition, a knock-out competition was commenced. The wickets went fast. Middlemore, 196 (Johnson 50 not out), beat Grafton, 96 (Rasmussen 6 for 22). Y.M.C.A., 225 for 9 declared, drew with onsonby Balmoral, 179 for 5. Eden, 155 (Weir 65) lost to North Shore, 159 for 7. Parnell lost to University.

Wellington: There were ideal conditions, but the batting was weak. Karori, 183 for 9, beat Kilbirnie, 142. These two teams lead in the competition and are now level. Hutt, 204 for 7 declared, beat Petone, 145. College Old Boys, 187, beat Army, 143.

Mercantile League: There is a triple tie in the "A" grade between Working Men's Club, Amalgamated Bricks, and Fort Dorset, with three playing Saturdays left.

At Christchurch there was a surprise defeat of Old Boys, the leading team, by Sydenham, who scored at a rate rare in senior cricket. C. Smith (103 not out), and Oliver (91) added 123 for the third wicket in under an hour. Competition points: East Christchurch lead Old Boys by one point, with Riccarton three points behind the latter.

Otago: Old Boys, 162 for 5, beat North East Valley, 126 (Groves 4 for 44). Kaikorai, 138 for 9, beat Carisbrook, 112 (Alcott 6 for 52). Albion Y.M.C.A., 130 for 7, beat Grange, 77. Dunedin, who made 150 after losing 5 for 40, beat University, 98 (Robertson 6 for 51 and Ledgerwood 4 for 43).

Oamaru: Waitaki beat St. Kevins by an innings and 164 runs. Wanganui: Collegiate are maintaining an unbeaten record.

NEWS BY CABLE

N.Z. Government Service for the Forces

Wellington, March 19.

The week has been marked by important extensions in the mobilisation for industry and the war effort. Men between 46 and 50 are registering, also women between 20 and 21, for selection and direction to essential work conforming to their capacities. The Prime Minister stated that it had been planned for every man medically unfit for active service meantime to be available for the war effort in New Zealand. Further registration applying to the engineering and building trades applies to all males between 18 and 70, ensuring that every worker places his special skill at the disposal of the country's war machine.

The Ministry for Labour, the Hon. P. C. Webb, has announced the suspension of all awards and industrial agreements affecting any industries used in defence works. He said he had been greatly encouraged by discussions with the workers' organisations and the employers' co-operation in a scheme assuring priority for defence works and the arrangement to secure the greatest effects from men and material.

Mr. James Fletcher, the Commissioner for Defence Construction, who has issued a statement covering a scheme for the operation of a flat rate guarantee and the extension of hours to 54 a week; also for the transfer of labour, equipment and materials to points where they are required, stated that where contracts are let to existing organisations, the price can be announced and the work commenced. If the contractor believes the price to be insufficient he can appeal, but the work must continue during the negotiations. Workers' organisations have received his appointment with enthusiasm as part of the process of speeding up defence work.

In the Parliamentary Press Gallery there was an historical departure from established custom when Mervyn K. Sloborg, the National Broadcasting Company's correspondent in New Zealand, was admitted to membership. He radioed Dominion news to the United States on the first occasion that a foreign journalist was admitted to Press Gallery membership.

Two new members who have taken their seats in the House are H. J. D. Acland, of Temuka, and A. S. Sutherland, of Hauraki. Both are Nationalists.

Mr. Patrick Lucal Hamilton, of Pleasant Point, South Canterbury, has celebrated his 112th birthday. He was born in Donegal in the reign of William the Fourth; has seen six sovereigns on the British throne, and enjoys good health.

The appeal of Francis Joseph Dwyer against conviction in the ballot card case has been upheld by Mr. Justice Smith, who said: "I am not certain I know what actually happened, but there is no corroborated evidence implicating the appellant, and I am satisfied that no jury properly directed could convict."

After 27 years as Coroner for the Masterton district, during which time he has held 500 inquests, Dr. E. C. Eton has retired.

The New Zealand Savings Committee, in conjunction with the War Publicity Committee, have arranged a special "Bombs and Bombers Week" this month. All funds raised are to be applied towards meeting the cost of increased hitting power for the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

A Hobart message reports that a New Zealander, Richard Cecil Humphreys, aged 22, is to be extradited on a charge of escaping from the Borstal Institute at Waikeria last September. Evidence showed that Humphreys stole a 27-foot auxiliary launch from Invercargill estuary and sailed her single-handed to Tasmania in 22 days.

"ARSENAL OF PACIFIC"

Wellington, March 21.

Replying to a debate on the war situation in the House of Representatives, Mr. Fraser, the Prime Minister, said that New Zealand was better placed and more secure than when Parliament last met.

There was no room for complacency; there was room for great concern; but there was none for fear. "Come what may, we will face it and triumph. With what we now have we can defend the country, but we must do more than that. We have got so to reorganise things that when the time comes, and with the support now arriving, we shall be in a position to start from these very shores to reconquer the Pacific for democracy and freedom."

"That is our job. The only hope we have of restoring the democratic Powers in the Pacific and of resisting the autocratic enemies who are threatening us is to make our country an arsenal, a gathering place and a starting point for the democracies of the Pacific. This country will inevitably be called to greater sacrifices, and if it is not big enough to rise to them, we shall go down. I believe that, however heavy the war taxes may become, they will be accepted. Everything we have must be thrown into the struggle to destroy the forces threatening us."

The Prime Minister informed the House of Representatives that he personally was consulted by the American Minister to New Zealand, Brigadier-General Hurley, on his arrival in Wellington, about General MacArthur's appointment. "General Hurley asked me if this would be acceptable to New Zealand, and I assured him that the appointment of so renowned a fighting soldier and able commander as General MacArthur would be most enthusiastically welcomed by the Government and people, and that he could depend on the utmost support of the Dominion."—*The Times*.

MR. NASH'S VIEWS

New York, March 17.

New Zealand would probably come under a separate command, possibly a sea command rather than a land command, said Mr. Nash, New Zealand's Minister in the United States, commenting in New York to-day on General MacArthur's appointment to the supreme command of the Australian region. New Zealand would perhaps link up with other South Pacific Islands, he said. His country was of vital importance in the creation of such a command since it had the advantage of being 1,200 miles further away from Japanese air attack.

Until now New Zealand had wanted only materials, but if the country became a main base men would be needed—large numbers of them. New Zealand was a most important bastion of the Empire. If, finally, it should be lost, the Allies would have no base from which to attack Japan. The New Zealand Home Guard, which included a large proportion of the population, had been fully trained for the defence of the long coastline, which was slightly longer than Britain's own.

New Zealand welcomed the news of General MacArthur's appointment, although he would be more directly concerned with Australia's defence, Mr. Nash said. The move showed the unity between the nations allied together. He declined to comment on the possibility of an immediate offensive against Japan, observing "the essence of warfare is not to let the enemy know even the shadow of your intentions." There was no doubt, he said, that General MacArthur would proceed with his job without awaiting the completion of further South Pacific arrangements.—(Reuter.)

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